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ICC-ES Issues New EPA Seal and Insulate with ENERGY STAR® Certifications

The ICC Evaluation Service (ICC-ES), a recognized <u>Certification Body</u> for the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Seal and Insulate with ENERGY STAR[®] program, has issued EPA certification supplements to The Dow Chemical Company (<u>ESR-3228</u>) and Johns Manville (<u>ESR-3398</u>). Products receiving the EPA certification are The Dow Chemical Company's FROTH-PAKTM Spray Polyurethane Foam Insulation and Johns Manville APTM Foil-Faced Sheathing.

The <u>EPA Seal and Insulate Program</u> requires independent, third-party testing and certification by technical evaluation providers such as ICC-ES. Certification addresses thermal resistance and surface-burning characteristics that establishes compliance with <u>International Residential Code</u>® (IRC) and <u>International Energy Conservation Code</u>® (IECC) requirements. Certification also addresses installation instructions and diagrams. The program applies to insulation intended for use in whole wall, ceiling, roof deck and floor systems sold in the United States for residential construction use.

"Evaluation to the requirements of the IRC and IECC and the requirements of the EPA Seal and Insulate with ENERGY STAR® Program provides code officials the confidence to approve a product's use for construction and code compliance," said Steven R. Thorsell, AIA, CSI, Manager of ICC-ES Environmental Programs. "We are pleased to assist these companies based on the EPA requirements and honored to be a recognized EPA certification body."

"At Dow we understand the increasing consumer demand for more energy efficient, comfortable homes and are committed to providing the industry with solutions designed to meet and exceed today's demanding energy standards", said Greg Bergtold, Global Business Advocacy Director, Dow Building Solutions. "We are excited that FROTH-PAKTM Foam Insulation has achieved ENERGY STAR[®] Certification, a symbol that is widely recognized by consumers looking to increase the energy efficiency of their homes. Dow continues to drive awareness among consumers about the importance of air sealing and insulation, inspiring them to take action. The ENERGY STAR[®] Certification Program helps connect consumers with products that meet the EPA requirements."

All existing ICC-ES report holders with recognition under the 2009 or 2012 IRC and IECC, and future applicants for reports under those codes, are eligible to apply for product evaluation in the Seal and Insulate with ENERGY STAR® Program. ICC-ES also offers the option of obtaining a Seal and Insulate certification separately. Those who are interested in obtaining certification should contact ICC-ES for more information.

"Johns Manville is focused on developing building products that help make homes more energy efficient, comfortable, and durable," said Kathryn Miks, Wall Systems Product Engineer, Johns Manville Insulation Systems. "We are thrilled that our continuous insulation rigid foam board, AP™ Foil-Faced Sheathing, has achieved the rigorous ENERGY STAR® Certification. Residential customers expect insulation solutions to help lower heating and cooling bills and create a more comfortable home environment. By selecting ENERGY STAR® Certified Products, customers can be assured that they are using the highest rated products on the market."

About ICC-ES

A nonprofit, limited liability company, ICC-ES is the United States' leading evaluation service for innovative building materials, components and systems. ICC-ES <u>Evaluation Reports</u> (ESRs), <u>Building Product Listings</u> and <u>PMG Listings</u> provide evidence that products and systems meet requirements of codes and technical standards. The ICC-ES Environmental Programs issue VAR environmental reports that verify a product meets specific sustainability targets defined by today's codes, standards, green rating systems and ICC-ES <u>environmental criteria</u>. The Environmental Programs now offer Environmental Product Declarations (<u>EPDs</u>) to meet global market demand for science-based, transparent, quality-assured information about a product's environmental performance. ICC-ES is a subsidiary of the <u>International Code Council</u>. For more information, please visit <u>www.icc-es.org</u>.

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